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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 3753 :  
In re application of: : Date of Deposit: **February 15, 2005**  
LEON KERGER and BERT PISTOR :  
Serial No.: 10/655,357 : Atty Docket No.: ROTAGR/P002A1  
Filed: September 4, 2003 :  
Title: VISUAL POSITION INDICATOR :  
FOR VALVES WITH LINEAR :  
MOVING VALVE STEMS :  
Examiner: Kevin Lee :

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the first office action dated December 28, 2004 in the above referenced patent application, Applicants request entry of the following amendments to the specification and claims. The office action set forth a shortened 3 month statutory period in which to respond, bringing a timely response to be filed on or before **March 28, 2005**. Applicant's response is filed within the shortened statutory period, therefore no fee is due at this time.

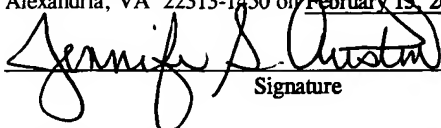
**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL

### For FY 2005

#### Complete if Known

Application Number	10/655,357
Filing Date	September 4, 2003
First Named Inventor	Leon KERGER
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

##### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description		<u>Small Entity</u> Fee (\$)	
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)		50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)		200	100
Multiple dependent claims		360	180
<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee(\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
21	- 20 or HP = 1	x 25	= 25
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.			
<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee(\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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